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FEDERAL GRAND JURY RETURNS INDICTMENTS IN THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

SHERMAN, TX—United States Attorney John L. Ratcliffe announced that a federal grand jury returned indictments late yesterday charging multiple individuals in separate cases of federal violations in the Eastern District of Texas.

STEVEN MICHAEL HENNING, 30, of Dallas, has been indicted for possession of stolen mail. According to the indictment, on November 27, 2007, Henning stole United States mail and the contents of United States mail. If convicted, Henning faces up to 5 years in federal prison and a fine not to exceed \$250,000.00.

This case is being investigated by the United States Postal Inspection Service and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney M. Andrew Stover.

TOMMY JOE NUNNELEE, 28 of Paris, Texas, has been indicted for use of an unauthorized access device. According to the indictment, on June 25, 2007, Nunnelee used a credit account number fraudulently obtained with the identification of another, to purchase merchandise. If convicted, Nunnelee faces up to 10 years in federal prison and a fine not to exceed \$250,000.00.

This case is being investigated by the United States Postal Inspection Service and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney M. Andrew Stover.

ROBERT MICHAEL PETERSEN, 35, of Michigan, has been indicted for possession of child pornography. This case is part of Project Safe Childhood (PSC). In February 2006, the Department of Justice created Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Lead by the United States Attorneys Offices, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as identify and rescue victims. For information about Project Safe Childhood, visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov/. If convicted, Petersen faces up to 10 years in federal prison and a fine of up to \$250,000.

The case is being investigated by the Dallas Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Michele A. Ratcliffe.

WILLIAM KENNETH CRANFORD, 40, of Plano, has been indicted for possession of child pornography. This case is part of Project Safe Childhood (PSC). In February 2006, the Department of Justice created Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Lead by the United States Attorneys Offices, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as identify and rescue victims. For information about Project Safe Childhood, visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov/. If convicted, Cranford faces up to 10 years in federal prison and a fine of up to \$250,000.

The case is being investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Plano Police Department and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Michele A. Ratcliffe.

SALVADOR GARCIA-AGUILAR, 30, of Mexico, has been indicted for Illegal Reentry of Removed or Deported Alien. According to the indictment, on July 15, 2007, Collin County officials notified Immigration and Customs Enforcement that they had a possible deported alien in custody on a local warrant. If convicted, the Defendant faces up to 20 years in federal prison and a fine of up to \$250,000.

This case is being investigated by the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Randall Blake.

VICTOR HUMBERTO ARAGUZ-RAMIREZ, a.k.a. V. Ramos, a.k.a. Victor Ramos, a.k.a. Victor Ramirez-Gonzalez, a.k.a. Victor Gonzalez-Ramirez, a.k.a. Jose Alfredo Araguz, a.k.a. Victor Araguz, 33, of Mexico, has been indicted for Illegal Reentry of Removed or Deported Alien. According to the indictment, on October 30, 2007, Collin County officials notified Immigration and Customs Enforcement that they had a possible deported alien in custody on a local warrant. If convicted, the Defendant faces up to 20 years in federal prison and a fine of up to \$250,000.

This case is being investigated by the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Randall Blake.

JACINTO ELIAS-SALAS, a.k.a. Jacinto Elias, a.k.a. Jacinto Salas, a.k.a. Jacinto Salas Elias, a.k.a. Elias Jacinto Salas, 42, of Mexico, has been indicted for Illegal Reentry of Removed or Deported Alien. According to the indictment, on March 16, 2008, Cooke County officials notified Immigration and Customs Enforcement that they had a possible deported alien in custody on a local warrant. If convicted, the Defendant faces up to 20 years in federal prison and a fine of up to \$250,000.

This case is being investigated by United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Randall Blake.

MICHAEL TODD LACEY, 33, of Cooke County, has been indicted for extortion under color of official right. If convicted, Lacey faces up to 20 years in federal prison and a

fine of up to \$250,000.00.

This case is being investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Stevan A. Buys.

CARLOS ALVAREZ-RIVERA, a.k.a. Jesus Rivera Garcia, 25, of Mexico, has been indicted for Transporting Illegal Aliens, Transporting Illegal Aliens For Financial Gain, Aiding and Abetting, and Illegal Reentry of Removed or Deported Alien. If convicted, the Defendant faces up to 20 years in federal prison and a fine of up to \$250,000.00.

This case is being investigated by United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Stevan Buys.

BRIAN KEITH TURNER, 33, and **KARLA DENISE MORRIS**, 24, of Cooke County, have been indicted for Conspiracy to Commit Bank Fraud, Bank Fraud, Aggravated Identity Theft and Access Device Fraud. If convicted, they face up to 30 years in federal prison on each count and a fine up to \$1 million.

This case is being investigated by United States Postal Inspection Service and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Stevan A. Buys.

CARLOS ELIZANDO GUZMAN-GONZALEZ, 31, of Mexico, has been indicted for Illegal Reentry of Removed or Deported Alien. According to the indictment, on January 30, 2008, Lewisville Police Department officials notified U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement that they had a possible deported felon in custody. If convicted, the defendant faces up to 20 years in federal prison and a fine of up to \$250,000.00.

This case is being investigated by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Stevan A. Buys.

ANTHONY CARRASCO, 19, of McKinney, has been indicted for knowingly possessing a stolen firearm. If convicted, Carrasco could face up to 10 years in federal prison and a fine of up to \$250,000.00. If it is shown that Carrasco has 3 previous convictions by any court for a violent felony or a serious drug offense, or both, committed on different occasions from one another, Carrasco could face up to life in federal prison.

This case is being investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Errin Martin.

STEVEN DEWUAN JOHNSON, 25, of Sherman, has been indicted for being a felon in possession of a firearm and using, carrying or possessing a firearm during a drug trafficking crime. If convicted, Johnson faces up to 10 years in federal prison and a fine of up to \$250,000.00. If it is shown that Johnson has 3 previous convictions by any court for a violent felony or a serious drug offense, or both, committed on different occasions from one another, Johnson could face up to life in federal prison.

This case is being investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Errin Martin.

ELIZABETH ROHR of Southlake, Texas, has been indicted for willful failure to file, return or pay tax. According to the indictment, Rohr received gross income in excess of the minimum filing requirement and failed to make an income tax return with the IRS for the years 2001 and 2003, and failed to pay tax in 2002. If convicted, Rohr faces up to one year in federal prison for each count and a fine of up to \$25,000.00.

This case is being investigated by the Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation, and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Shamoil T. Shipchandler.

SCOTT W. STANTON, 50, of Aubrey, Texas, has been indicted for theft of public money in excess of \$1,000. According to the indictment, on June 24, 2003 and March 14, 2007, Stanton embezzled money from the Social Security Administration that he was not entitled to. If convicted, Stanton faces up to 10 years in federal prison and a fine of up to \$250,000.00.

This case is being investigated by the Social Security Administration, Office of Inspector General, and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Shamoil T. Shipchandler.

It is important to note that an indictment should not be considered as evidence of guilt and that all persons charged with a crime are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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